Archbald Borough Council Meeting Wednesday, February 8, 2017

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by President Maria Tomassoni. A moment of Silence was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll Call: Owen, Mancuso, Munley Shnipes, Jr., Grandinetti and Hart present. Mayor Barrett was in attendance.

Public Input

Nancy Edmunds question on motion number 5 to adopt an ordinance amending Police Pension Ordinance to allow a \$100.00 per month service increment for each year of service beyond 25 years. Maximum increment to be \$500.00 per month. Ms. Edmunds asked if was in 25 years or can it go to \$500.00 now. It was stated it is in 25 years. Ms. Edmunds stated others borough no longer accept cash for permits and stated Archbald Borough should do the same.

Arlene Burak asked about a Stafursky truck driving down Thomas Street with brushes on truck cleaning the road. Ms. Tomassoni stated she will look into this.

Justine Cantatio from New York Life spoke about employee whole life insurance benefits.

New Business – Part time police

Council Reports
Grandinetti nothing at this time.
Hart nothing at this time.
Shnipes, Jr. nothing at this time.
Mancuso stated he and Munley are looking into the zoning with busses.
Munley stated he will be the borough up to date on the buss issue.

Motions

Motion by Owen, second by Shnipes, Jr. to pursue DCED & PennDot multimodal Fund Grant program application for sidewalks along Kennedy Drive, Columbus Drive and Main Streets in Archbald. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Shnipes, Jr., second by Owen to engage the services of Attorney Kevin M. Bernstein of Bond, Schoeneck & King PLLC. Roll call vote, all in favor. Motion carried.

Motion by Shnipes, Jr., second by Owen to approve the minutes of the January 11, 2017 regular Council Meeting. Roll call vote, all in favor. Motion carried

Motion by Grandinetti, second by Shnipes, Jr. to accept Reports – Treasurer, Building Inspector and Mayor's Report. All in favor, motion carried.

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Motion by Owen, second by Munley authorizing payment of January General Fund bills totaling \$140,783.35 and Arts Grant Fund bill in the amount of \$500.00. Roll call vote, all in favor. Motion carried.

Motion by Owen, second by Grandinetti to appoint Marlene Evans Special Police from February 8, 2017 to December 31, 2017 provided they are to be used only to replace a full time regular officer who cannot work due to allowable time off and not to exceed 33 shifts. Roll call vote, all in favor. Motion carried.

Motion by Hart, second by Munley to adopt an ordinance amending Police Pension Ordinance to allow a \$100.00 per month service increment for each year of service beyond 25 years. Maximum increment to be \$500.00 per month. Roll call vote, all in favor. Motion carried.

Motion by Munley, second by Owen to authorize the creation of the Archbald Borough Safety Committee in order to eliminate workplace injuries and illnesses by involving employees and managers in identifying hazards and suggesting how to prevent them. Roll call vote, all in favor. Motion carried.

Motion by Owen, second by Munley to require all official Borough Committee meeting to be conducted in the Archbald Borough Municipal Building. Roll call vote. Owen, Mancuso and Munley for it. Shnipes, Jr., Grandinetti, Hart and Tomassoni against. 4-3 vote, motion failed.

Motion by Grandinetti, second by Shnipes, Jr. to adjourn. Roll call vote, all in favor. Motion carried.

Attest:

Archbald Borough

Dawn Rudalavage

Borough Secretary-Treasurer

Maria Tomassoni

President of Council

Minutes prepared by Dawn M. Rudalavage, Borough Secretary-Treasurer